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Teachers' Edition

NEW BIOLOGY BUILDING.

The new annexe to the Biology Building which was to have been ready for last October is now nearing completion and should be ready for use in spring. Originally planned as a one story building designed to alleviate the space problem and to meet the needs of the Biology Department, it has become a three floor structure which will also accommodate Woodlot Management and Entomology. The new building is situated just off the passage from the Main Building to the Biology Building.

Each floor will contain an office, a research laboratory, and another laboratory which will double as a classroom. These rooms will have five tables each serving six students. A table running around the wall will provide additional working area. Among other features there will be a Vinylite tile floor on cement, compressed air outlets, and modern fume exhaust systems. The basement will serve as an Insect Physiology Laboratory, while Plant Physiology will be housed on the ground floor and Woodlot Management on the second floor. The emphasis throughout has been on improved facilities for research.

This will be the first addition to the college buildings since the war, the last new construction being the Agricultural Engineering Building which was put up during the war years. No official name has yet been given to the building, but it is expected that an official opening function will be held during the half centenary celebrations of the College in June. Once more we are indebted to our benefactors, Mr. and Mrs. Walter M. Stewart, who have so willingly financed the project.

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CHRISTMAS PAGEANT 1954

After days of preparation and hard work the annual Christmas Pageant of Macdonald College was presented with much excitement and enthusiasm. Keeping time to the vibrating music of the organ, the members of the choir walked in, dressed gaily in colorful, artistic costumes, singing the beautiful "Oh Come All Ye Faithful". The full choir, under the competent direction of Dr. Hanson, gave a rich rendering of "Bellman's Carol" and "Waking Time". This same high standard was maintained throughout the performance.

The "Peasant Dance" and "Gypsy Dance" ably directed by Mrs. Jacobs, were much enjoyed by all. The grace and co-ordination of movements were admirable. The young ladies seemed to be thoroughly enjoying themselves, and this in itself provided a favourable reaction from the audience. The acrobats won our well deserved applause by their daring feats and strenuous exercises performed in time to brisk music. "Le Petit Chaperon Rouge", a little French dialogue, was acted out by an all male cast in a hilarious, side-splitting manner. The audience enjoyed a good laugh at the expense of the poor "loup", who tried so desperately to have one little bite of "Chaperon Rouge", whose gold paper curls would have done justice to the most expert coiffeur. The Puppet work was well organized. The tableaux were colorful, and the effect of the lighting was remarkable.

The Pageant ended with the choir marching out to the strains of "Hark The Herald Angels Sing". The over all impression was one of color and artistry. The stage set was impressively real. The credit for the success of the pageant was largely due to Miss Jacques, whose creative imagination and untiring efforts were responsible for this miracle in paper.

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I.V.D.L. PLAY

As we go to press the Drama Club is in the throes of casting for "The House with the Twisty Windows", the play which is to be entered in the I.V.D.L. competition held this year in Ottawa. The play is being directed by Rick Grandmaison . We wish Rick and his cast the best of luck in the Capital City next month.

JUDY BRUGAR TROPHY

The Judy Brugar Trophy is presented to the class which collects the highest number of points awarded in the Literary and Debating competitions throughout the year.

With the class plays over, the standings so far are:

Seniors	1	Teachers I	2
Juniors	9	Teachers II	11
Sophomores	24	Dips & Homemakers	0
Freshmen	8		

At the Christmas Party, Teachers II (First Year Intermediate and Elementaries) carried off the Ottawa Temple Choir Trophy for Amateur Night.

The Sophomores' play, "The Glorified Brat", won the Nesbitt Shield as well as the best actor and best actress awards which went to John Gormley and Judy Pratt respectively.

The next Literary and Debating interclass competition takes the form of a debating tournament. The winner of each debate will earn two points, and the winner of the entire series, six points and the Intermural Debating Shield.

Let's all put forth our best efforts and get our class some points.

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STUDENTS' COUNCIL CORNER

President John MacNaught opened the Students' Council Meeting held Monday, Jan. 4 by wishing everyone a happy New Year.

LISTER PRESENTS BUDGET

The main item on the agenda was the presentation of a revised budget by Ed. Lister. The budget, which was approved unanimously by the Council is as follows:

APPROPRIATIONS TO ORGANIZATIONS UNDER THE STUDENTS' COUNCIL

Organizations	Appropriation	Estimated Income	Total
Camera Club	50.00	25.00	75.00
Coffee Shop	--	1800.00	1800.00
Compensation	50.00	240.00	290.00
Gold Key	120.00	--	120.00
Insurance	1750.00	--	1750.00
Lit. & Deb.	458.00	1635.00	2093.00
Men's Athletics	2000.00	385.00	2385.00
Men's Residence	75.00	75.00	150.00
Post Grads	110.00	--	110.00
Publications	500.00	5000.00	5500.00
Rifle Club	12.00	18.00	30.00
Rural Problems	25.00	--	25.00
Students' Council			
Administration	980.00	--	980.00
General	650.00	150.00	800.00
Women's Residence	75.00	30.00	105.00
Women's Athletics	1500.00	--	1500.00
Recreation Centre			
Administration	750.00	--	750.00
Badminton Club	75.00	65.00	140.00
Home Ec. Club	350.00 (loan)	125.00	475.00
Repayment of Pub. Loan	450.00		450.00
Reserve Account	--	--	--
Total:	$ 9980.00	$ 9548.00	$ 19528.00

PING PONG ROOM

The Students' Council appointed Harvey Vokey the task of furnishing the Coffee Shop section with a Ping Pong Room. Harvey reported that work was well under way and the room will be finished in the near future.

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Sports

SPORT SHOTS FROM THE TEACHERS

FOOTBALL

The season proved quite successful with the boys winning a couple of games. Led by Dick Jack and Bugs Walker (both two year intermediates) we can expect big things next year.....

TRACK

Three cheers for the boys! They managed to end up in second place after a hard battle with the seniors. Maybe with complete mass participation next year we might come through. A big point winner for us was Dave Smith who will also be back next year.....

TENNIS

We only had one entry this year but it helped the point total. It is said the teachers are just waiting for the badminton tournament.....

BASKETBALL

Once again the boys gave a good account of themselves, ending up second in the "B" section. Sparked by "Tons" Templeton, Dave McKenzie and Johnny Dorrance, the boys did much better than was expected. Congratulations!...

WATERPOLO

Flying spray and some near fatal duckings were quite noticeable this past season. With two wins, one tie, and one loss the team can be very proud. Dunc Wilmott showing his old football drive really came through for us. With a few more spares the boys might have cleaned up. Maybe next year.....

COMING EVENTS

Names and teams are now being entered for the badminton and volleyball schedules. Let's hope we can get a large turnout for both these. Remember we get points for entering. The hockey season will also be getting under way soon, so sharpen up your blades!.....

HITS AND MISSES

This year the teachers were well represented on the senior football team; Bob Winslow, Dunc Wilmott, Jim Templeton, Barry Powter, Bob Bouchard, Will Davidson and Don Robertson. Don also managed to make the college track team. On the senior basketball squad are Will Davidson, Don Robertson and Dick McGrail. On the juniors are Dave MacKenzie, Jim Templeton, Dunc Wilmott and

Al Walker. Congratulations to them all for a fine job!.....

WOMEN'S INTERCLASS SPORTS

Both the Soph. Int. "A" and "B" teams finished first in their respective leagues on December 21, 1954, ending the season for interclass basketball. The "A" team defeated the Freshie Int. in a closely fought game in which the final score was - 14-9. Then the "B" team won their last game by default making it a clean sweep for the Soph. Teachers.

Interclass HOCKEY will be starting right after the exams are over, as will the BADMINTON tournament.

The ARCHERY tournament was supposed to be finished by Christmas but unfortunately no one has played any of their matches. Let's get going girls!

The totals for interclass competitions have been changed by the results of the interclass basketball. The results are as follows:-

Points for BB		Total No. as of Jan. 7
Soph. Int.	170	297 1/2
Freshie Int.	76	212
Sophettes	76	194 1/4
Elementary	93	126
Juniors	23	96 1/2
Freshettes	5	90 1/2
Seniors and Handicraft	33	40
1-Yr. Int.	2	10 1/2

JUNIOR GIRLS' BASKETBALL

The junior girls have done it again - two victories in two starts. The Junior Basketball Team met Iverly at King School on January 7 in a terrific clash. Iverly, one of the teams to beat "Mac" last year, had a strong forward line and a tight man-to-man defence.

In the opening minutes of the game, Macdonald went ahead on a basketball and a free shot by Dinnie Segal. Iverly quickly tied the score. Basket for basket, the teams played evenly until half time when Macdonald took the lead and retained it for the rest of the game.

The referees had a difficult time keeping up with the fouls since the game was hard-played, with the guards of each side working continuously to keep the opposing team from scoring. The Macdonald defence, with the excellent playing of Arlene Aronovitch and Barb Barnfield, managed to keep the Iverly score down to 13.

The final score of the game was Macdonald 24 - Iverly 13. Top scorers for Macdonald were Dinnie Segal and Bev Johnson. Keep it up girls!

Features

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

In discussing the question of religious education, let us first peruse the basic aims of our curriculum. We, as prospective teachers, understand the meaning of the word education in its most profound sense. We realize that the paramount role of the school is to prepare the child for well-adjusted citizenship. Thus, our curriculum is designed with an eye to the best possible development of such traits as honesty, co-operation, and an appreciation of the beautiful. The edifice of Good Character must, of course, have a firm foundation upon which to stand if it is to be a permanent structure. Centuries of experience have taught us that the most effective material for this grounding is religious understanding.

We have established that the main aim of education is to develop good character. We have also discovered that the best possible foundation for this quality is religion. Thus it becomes apparent that religious training automatically and axiomatically be an integral part of the school curriculum.

Unfortunately, we are all familiar with the deplorable lack of emphasis upon the teaching of Scripture in today's classroom. It receives sufficient consideration in theory -- but is this true in practice?

The Scripture lesson in most classes takes the form of a superfluous introductory lesson - a prelude to the day's work.

Perhaps, if it were required that religious instruction be given during the middle of the school day, and that periodic examinations or tests in the subject become compulsory, the standard of religious education would be raised at least to a plane of equal importance with the other requisites of an effective curriculum. It is up to us, as teachers, to consider this matter with the gravity which it merits.

PRACTICE TEACHING CAN BE FUN

First day of Practice Teaching.

Dear Diary,

What a grand time! My Audio-Visual Aids went over big. The cow I borrowed from the Aggies for my five minute discussion on farm animals behaved very nicely on the bus. She only started kicking up a fuss when we attempted to feed her our lunches. However the bus driver will be out of hospital soon. Otherwise my day was quite uneventful. Oh! Yes! The paper-knife wee Alec threw missed me, but unfortunately grazed Herman's pet flea which was taking a stroll down my back.

Second day of Practice Teaching.

Dear Diary,

I had some trouble with my class today. They locked me in the cloak-room when Professor Munroe came to mark my work.* It was nice of him to drop in though for that friendly visit. They responded very well during Oral Composition. Gilbert told me about the excitement in their house. It seems the rats in the basement set some matches on fire.*

Third day of Practice Teaching.

Dear Diary,

It is wonderful to see how inspired the children are by the Scripture lessons. Just yesterday I told them the story of Joseph, and by today they all had seven brothers!* As for Health! They now drink from seven to nine quarts of milk a day!!*

Fourth day of Practice Teaching.

Dear Diary,

We teachers can really learn from the children. Here are some tips on nose and throat care that I received from them.

*1. To clean your ears use a strong match. Wrap the match in a handkerchief so that if it breaks the pieces will fall into it.

2. If you have trouble with your adenoids take your tonsils out.

3. To avoid tonsilitis wash your nose with soap and hot water.

4. To keep your bodies warm heat your nose.

Fifth and final day of Practice Teaching.

Dear Diary,

I was really sorry to leave my class. They were sad to see me go. As farewell gifts they presented me with a lovely piece of rope and some arsenic. I can't imagine why they say it is the spirit of the gift that counts. On the other hand, my Assisting Teacher said it was time I left. She had lost her entire month's salary in a "Black Jack" game at the back of the room, while observing my teaching. I just can't wait until the next time I go there. Boy! Practice Teaching sure is fun!

P.S. My fractured ribs are mending nicely.

* These parts (you wouldn't believe it) are really true. The rest could have happened, in my class at least.

LITERATURE ON THE HALF SHELL.

The quality that attracts me most in women is beauty. Cole Porter.

What I admire most in men can be compressed into one word: strength, both physical and mental. Adelaide Hawley.

A man falls in love through his eyes, a woman through her imagination, then they both speak of it, as if it was an affair of the heart. Rowland.

Friends: People who dislike the same people. Anon.

You never can tell
If a girl is sensible
By looking at her to-day
Because the girl
Who is really sensible
Won't let herself look that way.
Farbstein.

Of course platonic friendship is possible - but only between husband and wife. Anon.

Never marry someone you think you could get along with, but someone you can't get along without. Agnew.

The man who started work should have finished it. Bill of the "Cosy"

Your mind is a sacred enclosure into which nothing harmful can enter except by your permission. Arnold Bennet.

William Howard Taft, when a Supreme Court judge used to tell about the boy who killed his father and mother and then pleaded leniency on the grounds that he was an orphan.

Women are wiser than men because they know less and understand more.
James Stephens.

Bridge: A card game where a good deal depends on a good deal.
Anon.

Cabaret: Din with Dinner. Anon.

Optimist: One who starts a crossword puzzle with a fountain pen.

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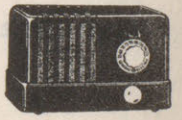

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